



Pacific youth leaders training kicks off in Taiwan



Solomon Islanders who are part of the program during a visit to Taiwan's Cultural House.

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THIRTY ONE youths and officials from the Pacific including seven Solomon Islanders have begun their training programme, here in Taiwan, as of Wednesday.

The first session kicked off on Thursday with a visit to the Taiwan Foreign Affairs office, followed by a group photo and the first lecture session on Taiwan's Foreign Policy.

Second lecture of the day was on International Cooperation and Foreign Policies of ROC Taiwan.

Later in the afternoon, the youth leaders paid a visit to Taiwan's National Chiang Kai-Shek Memorial Hall to conclude the day-one programme.

Speaking during the welcome ceremony held at

ROC Foreign Affairs office, Senior Diplomat Mr Bob Ming-Jan Lu welcomed the Pacific youth leaders ahead of the many activities that will take place in the next nine days.

He told the youth leaders that the Taiwanese Government fully supports and is honoured to have the representatives from around the Pacific attending the programme.

Mr Lu said the study camp will be interesting and also filled with good experiences that the participants will bring back to their respective countries.

He told the youth leaders to make full use of the study camp.

The 2015 Taiwan Study Camp for future leaders: Pacific Region offers a platform for exchanges

between youths from the Republic of China (Taiwan) and key countries in the Pacific region.

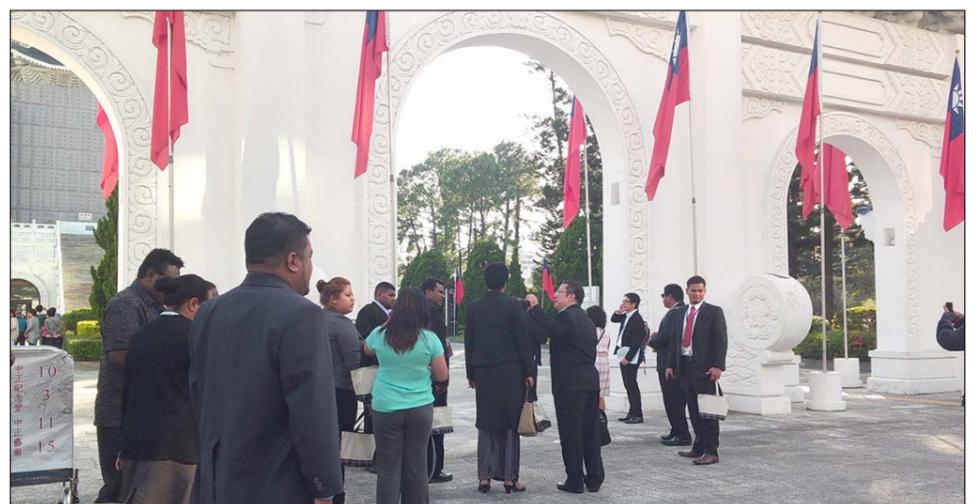
The event highlights Taiwan's history and culture as well as the Taiwan experience, so as to promote the cultural diplomacy and youth policies between Taiwan and countries in the Pacific region.

The theme for 2015 Taiwan future leaders study camp includes Taiwan's political and economic development, cross-strait relations, international economic cooperation, energy saving, health care, epidemic prevention, local cuisine and natural scenery.

The camp aims to cultivate global perspectives, increase knowledge on Taiwan and foster friendship between participants.



Participants pose for a group photo with officials from Taiwan's Ministry Foreign Office.



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Professor Stephen S.F. Chen talking to the participants about ROC Taiwan Foreign Policy during day one lecture one.

